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In re Application of:

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For: METHOD, ARRANGEMENT AND USE FOR APPLYING A SPACER TO AN
IMPLANT BY MEANS OF A SCREW

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Clean copy of amended claims

7. Arrangement according to Patent Claim 5, characterized in that the holder or holder part (1b) is provided with a first recess (1f) for the screw head and a second recess (1e) for one or more securing parts (1g) on the spacer, and the holder can be applied on the securing part or securing parts and the screw head and secures the spacer and the screw by means of elasticity or resilience in the wall-supporting material of the first and second recesses.
8. Arrangement according to Patent Claim 5, characterized in that the holder consists of or comprises an elongate part (1a, 1b) made of plastic or equivalent material.